## Minutes for August 10, 2020

Commissioners Present: Porter, Cameron, Crooks

Staff Present: Susan Reese

**RES 20-0702** Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner

Porter and the second of Commissioner Crooks.

Vote was Cameron, aye: Crooks, aye; Porter, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Porter moved to approve the payment of bills, pending review.

Seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

Vote was Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, aye.

Motion carried.

The following legislation was now considered:

**RESOLUTION 20-0703** authorize Cindy S. Cameron to sign on behalf of the Board of Muskingum County Commissioners Pay Application Number 2 for the Swackhammer Road Water Storage Tank Contract 2 payable to Mid-Atlantic Storage Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$22,763.56.

Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks.

Roll Call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, aye.

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 20-0704** accept the resignation of Virginia Harris from Rambo Memorial Health. Last day of work to be August 07, 2020.

Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter.

Roll Call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, aye.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Crooks asked about the agenda that's sent to the media versus the agenda the Commissioners' receive. The Clerk explained that she was asked several years ago to send an abbreviated version of the agenda to the media because there was concern that the media would assume the resolutions listed had already been approved. It was decided, from now on, to send the same agenda to the media that the Commissioners receive. The following statement that is currently on the "media" agenda should be maintained; "In accordance with the State of Ohio's Sunshine Law, this will be an open meeting and the public is invited. Meeting to follow but will not be limited to the agenda items. The board may add items to or remove items from the printed agenda above if necessary."

Also, the statement that already exists on the current agenda "The following resolutions require approval:" should be highlighted.

Pam Davis, Human Resources, came to talk with the Commissioners.

• Pam and Robbie interviewed three candidates for Housekeeping last Wednesday and Pam proposed the following:

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RESOLUTION 20-0705 approve the employment of Teresa Stapleton as Full-Time Housekeeper, for Muskingum County Maintenance/Housekeeping, contingent upon passage of the pre-employment assessments. Starting wage will be \$11.00 per hour with the potential of a \$.50 an hour increase upon successful completion of a 180 day Probationary Period. Motion made by Commissioner Porter, seconded by Commissioner Crooks. Roll Call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, aye. Motion carried.

Pam then requested the following:

**RESOLUTION 20-0706** declare an Executive Session at 10:12 a.m. for the purpose of discussing Personnel Matters pertaining to Disciplinary Action of a public employee of the Muskingum County Dog Warden. This session ended about 10:25 a.m. Motion made by Commissioner Crooks, seconded by Commissioner Porter. Roll Call: Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, aye.

Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding the new Dog Warden facility proposed location.

- Who will be preparing the ground for construction?
  - o Luburgh or County Engineer?
  - o Commissioner Porter will contact Doug McQuaid to ask Luburgh

The Commissioners placed a call to Pat Kelly asking how much dirt needs moved before construction

• Pat thought that Mark Eicher was going to contact Luburgh Pat was also asked if the kennels are going to be bid separately

• Yes, the kennel cost is not included in his estimate

Pat said he could have the advertisement for bids ready in a couple of days

• He suggested moving forward with the building bid, because no matter who moves the dirt, it will not be included in the bid package

The Commissioners talked with Mark Zanghi, Assistant Prosecutor.

- He agreed that the building and kennels would be bid separately but for the same project and the dirt work would not be in the bid package.
- Notice to bidders will be advertised in the Times Recorder twice, as well as, placed on the County website.

There was also discussion with Mark regarding an email from Sandy Babcock, Fiscal Officer for Monroe Township, regarding Mike Reed's complaints about the roads.

- Townships are under an obligation to maintain Township Roads
  - What the Township can do usually depends on their budget
  - Engineer can help the Townships, but the Townships have to ask for the Engineer's help
- If 51% of landowners present a petition for road improvements to the Trustees, and the Trustees think it a viable project, then the Trustees can borrow money to pay for it. At that time they would assess the adjacent landowners, the cost of the project over a maximum of seven years.
- Mr. Reed has petitions signed by neighbors, but it's unclear how many and what percentage have signed
- Mr. Reed had, in the past, agreed to pay for the dust control

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• Mr. Reed, reportedly has never attended a Township meeting but, may be attending the Township Meeting tonight.

A call was placed to Veterans' Services asking about their COVID expense for hand sanitizer and masks.

- Hand sanitizer was for their office
- Masks were disposables for clients
- They were advised, for future needs, to contact Travis at EMA

The Clerk was asked to forward the latest plans for the Dog Warden facility to Sewer Department, Engineer and Water Department.

Commissioner Crooks moved to accept the minutes of the August 06, 2020 session. Commissioner Porter seconded.

Vote was Cameron, aye; Crooks, aye; Porter, aye.

Motion carried.

It was agreed to ask Pat Kelly to proceed with the advertisement for bids for the Dog Warden facility.

Commissioner Porter will call Doug McQuaid before calling Luburgh's regarding the dirt work.

There was discussion regarding the Fair Board debt.

Don Madden stopped in to update the Commissioners on SR666 bridge repairs.

- They will be going, by culvert, from the bridge to the railroad tracks
- When trying to find the wire that had broken, it was not as deep as it should have been
  - o They will need to relocate the line which will be about 400'
  - o Cost will be a minimum of \$10,000

Don will be talking with Stan about the billing for South Zanesville customers who have tenants...will the bill be in the owner's name or the tenant's?

With no further business being before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:27 a.m. on the motion of Commissioner Cameron and the second of Commissioner Crooks.

Cindy S. Cameron

Mollie S. Crooks

James W. Porter

This is a condensed version of today's session. For a more detailed account, feel free to request a DVD recording.